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Rite cure for all Malarial Diseases, Colds, La  
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UNEEDA BISCUIT.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Distinguished Guests Entertained  
by M. Cambon.

Apert From the Dinner Given at the  
French Embassy Last Night Was  
a Ball One in Vainly Fair—Society  
Generally Interested in the Re-  
ception to Be Held This Evening.

M. Cambon, the Ambassador from  
France, entertained at dinner last night  
when his guests were the Secretary of  
State and Mrs. Hay, the Secretary of the  
Interior and Mrs. Hitchcock, Senator and  
Mrs. Wetmore, Mr. and Mrs. Robbins, Cap-  
tain and Mrs. Vignal, the Hon. Audley  
Pauzeferre, Mrs. Wallace, Miss Wetmore,  
Miss McKenna, Mrs. Josephine Patton, the  
Marquis Romano, Senor Riano, Mr. Max  
Muller, and Mr. Bouefve. The floral de-  
corations of the table were in La France  
pink, and the candles burned under pink  
shades.

Mrs. Showalter, wife of Representative  
Showalter, of Pennsylvania, welcomed a  
number of friends yesterday afternoon,  
at the reception held by her, from 3 to 5  
o'clock. She was assisted by Mrs. Os-  
borne, mother of Mr. William McKinley  
Osborne. Mrs. Osborne has been a guest  
at the White House for the past fortnight  
and will be the guest of Mrs. Showalter  
during the remainder of her stay in Wash-  
ington.

Another informally pleasant reception of  
yesterday afternoon was that held by Mrs.  
Wilson, of Connecticut Avenue, who was  
assisted by Mrs. Frank R. Stockton, wife of  
the author, Mr. and Mrs. Stockton are  
guests of Prof. and Mrs. Wilson during  
their short visit to Washington.

Mr. Samuel Daltell left last night to  
resume his law studies at Pittsburgh.  
Representative and Mrs. Daltell have with  
them now their little five-year-old grand-  
daughter, Mary Louise, who will remain  
with them while her parents, Mr. and Mrs.  
George, are absent at Santiago.

Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey and Mrs. M.  
R. Wood are among the passengers booked  
to sail for Europe tomorrow on the Fries-  
land.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Treat Paine, Jr.,  
of Boston, who have been spending the  
past month or two in Southern travel  
and in visiting Mrs. Paine's parents, Mr.  
and Mrs. William F. Mattingly, have re-  
turned home.

The marriage of Miss Harriet E. Dyer,  
daughter of the late Gen. Alexander Dyer,  
United States Army, to Mr. Theodore H.  
Price, of New York, has been formally an-  
nounced to take place in June at the  
residence of Miss Dyer's sister, Mrs. James  
Taylor.

Mrs. J. Stanley Brown will not be at  
home today.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Foster will leave  
Thursday for a trip to the West.

Washington friends have received cards  
for the marriage of Mr. William Wood-  
ward Rockhill and Miss Edith Howell Per-  
kins. The ceremony will take place at  
Litchfield, Conn., the home of the bride's  
parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Deming Perkins,  
Wednesday, April 25, at 1 o'clock, and  
will be followed by a reception. Mr.  
Rockhill, who was formerly Minister to  
Greece, is now Chief of the Bureau of  
American Republics.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Pritchett cele-  
brated the fiftieth anniversary of their  
marriage last night by holding a golden  
reception, which was attended by a large  
number of relatives and friends.

The special attraction on this evening's  
program will be the reception to be held  
by the Baltimore Chapter of the Homo-  
pathic Hospital at the residence of Mrs.  
Daltell. A feature of the entertainment  
will be a "lecture-musical" to be given  
by Mr. Willis Arden, of London, assisted  
by Miss Mabel McKinley and Miss Flora  
Wilson, who have kindly consented to  
sing "the war songs of nations," on  
which subject Mr. Arden will speak.

DEWEY'S SUMMER HOME.

The Admiral Leases a Country Place  
on Woodley Lane.

Admiral and Mrs. Dewey have leased the  
beautiful country place, Beaver, on  
Woodley Lane, and are now arranging it  
for occupation as their summer home.

The Admiral and Mrs. Dewey returned  
from their Southern trip on Friday night  
and are planning to move into their new  
quarters immediately. Beaver, or as it  
is pronounced, "Beaver," is the property  
of Representative Newlands, of Nevada.  
It was built by Dr. Boney, it has been  
occupied for the past half dozen years by  
Mr. and Mrs. John P. McLean.

The grounds embrace about thirty acres,  
and the view is magnificent. It takes in  
the whole scope of the Potomac Valley  
near Washington.

The place lies near the Nineteenth  
Street extension, west of the Zoological  
Park, and adjoins the Episcopal College.  
"I have had it in mind for a long time,"  
said the Admiral, last evening, "and I  
managed to secure it from Mr. John P.  
McLean, to whom it had been leased by  
the California syndicate, headed by Rep-  
resentative Newlands, of Nevada. The Mc-  
Leans, you know, have occupied it for the  
past half dozen years. This summer,  
though they will move further up the Ten-  
leytown Road, and I shall have Beaver for  
the summer. Mrs. Dewey was out  
there last night, and she is very much  
pleased with it. We shall be at home in  
about a week. No, I can't say how  
long we shall keep the place. The  
owners hesitate about long leases, as they  
plan extensive alterations at some future  
time."

"What are our plans for the summer?"  
Well, really, we have none. I do not know  
whether or not we shall be away from the  
District during the extreme hot season.  
This thing of getting out of Washington  
during July and August is all a supersti-  
tion, anyway. We have one of the finest  
summer climates in the world here. Let  
anyone who doubts that try Manila or  
Hongkong or Shanghai for five minutes. I  
have spent many summers here during the  
hottest weather, and they were delig-  
tantly spent, too."

"Yes, we had a delightful Southern trip.  
Everywhere I was received with an  
enthusiastic demonstration as marked my  
arrival in New York last year."

Arrived From Rotterdam.  
NEW YORK, April 2.—Among the pas-  
sengers who arrived this morning on the  
steamship Rotterdam from Rotterdam and  
Boulogne were: Hon. Mr. Hale, United  
States Consul at Boulogne, and Dr. Ad-  
dison W. Hunt.

HOSTETTER'S  
CELEBRATED  
Dieted food makes rich  
blood—ferment-  
ed food pro-  
duces poison,  
and from this  
springs CON-  
STIPATION,  
DYSPEPSIA,  
and LIVER  
TROUBLE. The  
Bitters will  
digest your  
food, and thus  
cure the blood,  
active blood  
it's an excellent  
spring tonic.

STOMACH  
BITTERS

## IN THE HOTEL CORRIDORS.

Hon. Daniel S. Lamont, formerly Sec-  
retary of War under President Cleveland, is  
at the Arlington, from New York. He is  
in the city on business with several offi-  
cials, and will remain several days.

George R. Peck, counsel for the Atchison,  
Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, is at the  
Shoreham, from Chicago, attending to some  
business for his corporation.

Former Gov. John C. Underwood, of Ken-  
tucky, is at the Riggs, from Louisville. He  
is in the city as the representative of the  
Confederate Veterans' Union, and is look-  
ing after the interests of that organization.  
He will be quartered at the Capital for a  
week.

Walter Chamberlin, the newly appointed  
Assistant Commissioner of Patents, ar-  
rived in the city from Chicago, last night,  
and is quartered at the Arlington. He is  
well known in Washington, and being of  
very genial disposition, has many friends.  
He will assume his new duties at once.

Henry Flek and W. T. Kaufman, two  
prominent New York bankers, are at the  
Arlington, on business with the Treasury  
Department, and will be in the city for a  
few days.

Gen. T. Ota, Chief of the Imperial Gov-  
ernment Arsenal at Osaka, Japan, is at  
the Arlington on business with the United  
States. He is accompanied by his aide,  
R. Hirota, and has been making a tour  
of the works inspecting the various plants  
with an idea of making extensive im-  
provements at the Imperial arsenal. He  
will go to Philadelphia today, where he  
will inspect the Cramp yards and shops,  
after visiting several of the Eastern cities  
he will make a tour of Europe and will  
visit the Paris Exposition before return-  
ing.

"There is not so much enthusiasm over  
the coming exposition at home as I find  
elsewhere," said C. M. Tourer, of Paris, at  
the Shoreham last night. "You see, these  
affairs occur regularly with us every  
eleven years, and the show of this year  
seems nothing extraordinary. The exposition  
will be opened up on time, on April  
15, notwithstanding a delay caused by bad  
weather and strikes. The snow of this  
year is located in the heart of the city,  
in a beautiful spot. It includes all of  
the space occupied by the fair of 1889,  
the Champ de Mars, Esplanade des In-  
valides, Gardens of the Trocadero, the  
gardens along the Seine, the Place de La  
Concorde, and the Gardens of Vincennes.  
In beauty this will exceed any of the  
other expositions and will be sure to at-  
tract millions of people. Many of the  
most beautiful buildings will be allowed  
to stand as they are, and will add to the  
beauty of the city."

W. A. Shepherd, a noted Alaskan mine  
owner and transportation manager, is at  
the Raleigh, from Seattle, for a few days,  
on route to New York to the Pacific  
Coast. "We are all getting ready for the  
grand rush to Cape Nome," said he, last  
night, "and I am afraid that many of the  
greenhorns will have a sad experience. I  
would only advise those who have had ex-  
perience to attempt the trip. The man  
who has failed at anything everywhere  
else cannot expect to succeed in Alaska,  
just because there is gold there. This is  
the mistaken idea of many who go in  
search of the wealth of the Klondike. It  
is a bad country for a new man, and con-  
ditions are entirely different from those  
elsewhere. Everything is switched around.  
Cabbages grow on tree tops and roots grow  
more above than below ground. Everything  
is still, as a rule, and in a land where the  
birds don't sing and the dogs bark, a man  
forgets how to laugh."

Gen. E. P. Meany, one of the officials  
of the Long Distance Telephone Company,  
is at the Arlington from New York, and  
will remain here for several weeks.

Former Senator Edmunds, of Vermont,  
is at the Arlington, from Philadelphia. He  
is in the city on some legal matters be-  
fore the Supreme Court, and will be in  
the city until Saturday.

THE SPANISH VIEW FAULTY.

Navy Department Discovers Errors  
in Accounts of Battles.

The Secretary of the Navy has issued a  
circular to naval officers inviting criticism  
or correction of published statements made  
by Spanish officers who have written com-  
ments on battles or incidents in the recent  
war with Spain.

It has been the policy of the Naval In-  
telligence Bureau in publishing commen-  
taries on the recent war from Spanish of-  
ficers, to present them as they were  
written for a few necessary notes upon  
the translation. Errors have been found  
in a number of the statements, and the  
circular of the Secretary of the Navy has  
been issued with a view of correcting any  
mistaken impression that may have result-  
ed from them.

MONEY FOR PORTO RICANS.

First Installment of the \$2,000,000  
Relief Fund Ordered Paid.

The first installment of the \$2,000,000  
relief fund for Porto Rico, as authorized  
by Congress, is the subject of a resolu-  
tion ordered to be paid to Capt. William  
V. Judson, Corps of Engineers, stationed  
at San Juan. Captain Judson is a mem-  
ber of the staff of Governor General Davis,  
and has been designated as the disbursing  
officer of the fund. General Davis' original  
estimate called for a first payment of  
\$250,000, but upon further consideration the  
amount was reduced to \$100,000, the  
amount ordered paid yesterday.

About \$100,000 a month will be paid for  
the next six months, the exact amount  
after that time will be governed entirely  
by the conditions existing in the island.  
General Davis has been granted entire con-  
trol of the disbursement of the money.

COINAGE IN MARCH.

Work of the Mints as Reported by  
the Treasury Department.

During the month of March the following  
coinage was executed at the mints of the  
United States: Six hundred and twenty-  
nine thousand seven hundred and thirty-  
eight double eagles, valued at \$12,591,769;  
51 eagles, valued at \$150,150 half eagles,  
valued at \$256,883 quarter eagles, valued  
at \$229; a total coinage of \$12,998,852  
pieces, valued at \$12,998,852.

The total coinage of silver amounted to  
\$9,069,223, valued at \$4,341,353.79, con-  
sisting of \$1,109,377 silver dollars, \$4,377  
half dollars, 795,099 quarter dollars, and  
106,377 dimes. There were also coined 2-  
cent, nickel and one-cent pieces, valued  
at \$1,877,256. The total coinage of the  
month of March was \$12,998,852, valued  
at \$12,998,852.

TROOPS HOWARD BOUND.

An Invalid Battalion of the Four-  
teenth Infantry Leaves Manila.

The first contingent of home-bound  
troops from the Philippines sailed from  
Manila yesterday. This information is con-  
firmed in a despatch received at the War  
Department yesterday, from General O'Neil.  
Four officers and 211 men of the Fourteenth  
Infantry comprise the battalion. This is  
the beginning of a movement decided upon  
some time ago, to bring back to the United  
States a battalion of disabled men from  
each regiment.

The War Department will station these  
invalid troops in California for recupera-  
tion. Should conditions in the Philippines  
warrant, they will be sent back when fully  
recovered.

## DOUBLE DECK TURRETS

Tests on the Kearsarge Discussed by  
Rear Admiral O'Neil.

The Chief of the Naval Bureau of  
Ordnance Gives His Views on the  
New System After Reading the Re-  
port of Captain Folger on the Re-  
cent Trial-Further Experiments.

The double-deck or superimposed tur-  
rets of the battleship Kearsarge will have  
a further trial today and tomorrow. The  
vessel will leave Fort Monroe this morning  
for a run of forty-eight hours at sea,  
and during that period her superimposed  
turrets will be submitted to a test even  
more severe than that of last week. This  
second run will be the final official trial  
of the big battleship to determine whether  
she was constructed in every way accord-  
ing to the contract with the Newport  
News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company.  
If the trial demonstrates that the vessel  
does not need any alterations or repairs  
she will be attached to the North Atlantic  
Squadron when it arrives at Hampton  
Roads about April 20.

The report of Capt. William M. Folger,  
the Kearsarge's commander, on the tests  
of the vessel's turrets was received at the  
Navy Department yesterday. It shows  
that the tests were successful. After read-  
ing the report Rear Admiral Charles  
O'Neil, Chief of the Naval Bureau of Or-  
dnance, and a member of the Board of Con-  
struction, gave to a Times reporter his  
views on the tests. He said:

"Since the preliminary trial of the  
Kearsarge's guns and turrets my opinion  
has frequently been asked as to the con-  
clusion to be drawn from the test. In gen-  
eral I would state that while I am grati-  
fied at the good results shown by the first  
trial of the same it is not different from  
what I expected. I did not suppose for a  
moment that the turret structure or the  
men in the turret would give us any trou-  
ble, as both have been carefully and  
conscientiously worked out by the Board  
of Construction and Army Repair, as have also  
the various mechanical difficulties which  
the scheme presented."

One Important Fact.  
"The fact that no inconvenience was ex-  
perienced by the occupants of the upper  
or lower turrets, due to the firing of the  
guns above or below them, is interesting  
and important, as there were some doubts  
on this point, and I was somewhat appre-  
hensive lest the blast and flame from the  
eight-inch guns might inconvenience the  
men in the sighting turrets of the lower tur-  
ret. I am pleased to learn that such was  
not the case."

"It will be necessary, however, to de-  
termine what will be the result of rapid  
and prolonged firing, and further tests  
under varying conditions at sea are de-  
sirable. It will be interesting to ascer-  
tain in my mind, but they can be and are  
being turned out in this manner. This is  
the turning point of the test, and the  
guns only are fired simultaneously, and  
what effect the independent firing of the  
four guns in one structure will have upon  
the accuracy of aim and rapidity of fire  
of each."

"So far as the mechanical and structural  
details are concerned, there is no doubt  
in my mind that the turret work has been  
satisfactorily met. In other words, it may  
be said that it is shown that we may, if  
we choose, build battleships with respect  
to their turrets in this manner, but the  
vital question is, Do we want to do so?  
It is desirable so to do. There will always  
be a difference of opinion on this point;  
that from the experts will point out  
that by means of it two eight-inch tur-  
rets containing four guns will do practically  
the work of four turrets containing  
eight guns, and that the great saving of  
weight, that the ammunition holds of the  
eight-inch guns are better protected;  
that there is no interference in  
such a heavy concentration of a movement  
of fire is obtained by mounting four guns  
in one revolving structure."

"On the other hand, it will be argued  
that it is not good practice to put four  
guns in one structure, when two of them  
are of different calibre from the others,  
having a different speed of firing, range and  
energy; that all are dependent upon one  
turning engine, whose derangement means  
the putting out of action of a large per-  
centage of the battery; that one man  
points four guns, and that his personal  
error or mistake is too far reaching; that  
the concentration of weight toward the  
extremities of the vessel is undesirable,  
and that any serious injury, either upper  
or lower turret, will put four important  
guns out of action."

"In fact, an agreement will never be  
reached on these points, and I doubt if  
any expert would ever reach a final  
decision. The question of the value of  
any other system can be determined ex-  
cept in battle where ships of fairly equal  
powers are pitted against each other."

Actual Tests Needed.  
The Kearsarge and Kedge, like the  
Albatross and Maine, classes, could prob-  
ably go through many years of service,  
having their regulation gun practice, and  
show no signs of weakness or inefficiency;  
their turrets would revolve and their guns  
would work as well at the end of ten years  
as at first, and it would be impossible to  
say that either would fail or prove super-  
ior to the other in any manner, but the  
test in war, and even then the element of  
chance is so great that it could not be  
an important factor, whose value could not  
be determined.

The question therefore, whether or not  
the system of superimposed turrets should  
be adopted for the new battleships is by  
no means easy of solution. It will have to  
be solved by the results of actual service,  
or by the opinion of a number of people  
whose judgment in such matters represents  
the best talent in the Navy. No person  
can ever make a final decision upon a  
question, nor is it likely that it will be  
determined until the Kearsarge and Ken-  
tucky have been thoroughly put through a  
series of extensive tests. In the mean time  
the Navy must continue to test and re-  
test the possession of this unique and re-  
markably fine and powerful vessels, which, from  
all accounts, reflect the highest credit upon  
the builders and designers."

In his recent Captain Folger said he  
made the firing tests to determine the  
various points which were urged against  
the peculiar turret system of the Kears-  
arge. The latest firing was made specifi-  
cally with the view of developing whether  
the blast, smoke, and the shock between  
the upper and lower turrets of the guns  
were such as to inconvenience the men in  
the sighting turrets of the lower turret.  
In his opinion, the results were most satis-  
fying, and he was confident that the  
possession of this unique and re-  
markably fine and powerful vessels, which, from  
all accounts, reflect the highest credit upon  
the builders and designers."

OFF FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

A Hundred Marines Leave the Wash-  
ington Barracks for Cavite.

A detachment of about 100 marines left  
the barracks in this city yesterday morn-  
ing over the Chesapeake and Ohio Rail-  
road for San Francisco, where they are  
expected to remain a short time and then  
be sent to the Philippines for duty at the  
Cavite station. Accompanying the de-  
tachment were Lieut. James McKee, Hines,  
Jay M. Salladay, William E. Hopkins, A.  
S. Williams, Wright, Hirschinger, and  
Rosenvelt, all of whom will be attached to  
the marine station on the Pacific Coast or  
in the Philippines.

"A Good Maxim is  
Never Out of Season."

Neither is a good family medicine, like  
Hood's Sarsaparilla. It tones up the sys-  
tem, cures catarrh, rheumatism, scrofula,  
and all stomach troubles, and wards off  
debility. All who are weak and worn  
by the effects of illness or overwork find  
in its use, appetite, strength and health.

Disordered Stomach— "Now-a-  
days I can eat anything I wish because  
Hood's Sarsaparilla keeps my stomach in  
order." H. Stone, Sherborn, Mass.

Catarrh—"Hood's Sarsaparilla has  
cured my husband's catarrh troubles, and  
given me relief from sick headache."

Mrs. J. W. Morris, Banghamton, N. Y.  
Hood's Sarsaparilla  
Never Disappoints

Ready for Business  
And More Bargains.

R. HARRIS &amp; CO.

Temporary Store, 315 Seventh Street,  
Next Door to Wash. B. Williams' (Bet. D Street and Louisiana Avenue).

MONDAY morning we opened in our temporary store, 315 Seventh Street, but  
we find that our new quarters are entirely inadequate to accommodate our  
great stock. Therefore we are forced to continue our discount sale for a short  
period.

## 25% Discount Continued.

DIAMONDS at 25 per cent discount from our cash prices means that you can buy them here at less  
than the present wholesale cost, as this discount is on old prices. No such values in diamonds can be  
duplicated in any store in the country today.

An Opening  
Souvenir.A \$25 Gold Watch,  
\$12.50.

We have just a few of these  
watches left. They're worth every  
cent of \$25, and regularly sell for  
that. Cases are Gold Filled, hunting  
case, best American movement, war-  
ranted 25 years. Yours while we  
continue this discount sale \$12.50  
for.....

Genuine Diamond  
Cluster Ring,  
\$7.00

With Ruby, Sapphire, Emerald, or  
Turquoise centre, worth \$12.50. \$7.00  
Special.....

Gentlemen's  
Ring, Special  
This  
Week, \$3.75

A handsome heavy Roman Gold  
Carved Ring, with three genuine gar-  
nets, worth \$5.00. Special this \$3.75  
week at.....

Elegant Cut Glass Pungents,  
heavy silver top, hinged back, glass  
stopper, ring to hang on chain. 65c  
Special.....

As an Opening Souvenir we offer the  
ladies the Sterling Silver Pulley  
Belt Rings, now so popular, and  
worth \$5 a pair, for..... 25c

These are in Carved Silver, Plain  
Polished, Frosted, and Bead Edge.

Come and Get Acquainted With Our New Location,  
R. HARRIS & CO., Jewelers,  
...315 7th.

rate of twelve to fifteen miles an hour  
directly into the muzzles of the guns.  
There was no serious interference from the  
shock between the two planes of the guns.  
It is probably not so great as has always  
been experienced between two contiguous  
guns on board naval ships. To illustrate  
this and for purposes of comparison an  
officer who witnessed turret firing in the  
turret was directed to fire personally a  
five-inch gun while a neighboring gun on  
the same deck and a six-pounder imme-  
diately above were firing rapidly. His  
judgment was that the shock from the  
six-pounder was more disconcerting than  
that from the eight-inch gun to the gun  
pointer in the lower turret.

The maximum elastic distortion or  
movement to the upper portion of the core  
supporting the turret was great, with the  
maximum strain applied—that is, discharg-  
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gun in salvo—was five-sixteenths of an  
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teenth to one-fourth of an inch.

The turret was undisturbed in any  
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